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Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Announces Reauction of Broadband PCS C Block License for the Phoenix, Arizona BTA

The Wireless Telecommunications Bureau will reauction the broadband Personal Communications Services (PCS) C block license for the Phoenix, Arizona Basic Trading Area (BTA) for which C.H. PCS, Inc. ("CHPCS") failed to make the required down payment that was due on July 24, 1996.

CHPCS was the winning bidder for the Phoenix, Arizona license in the C block Reauction, which closed on July 16, 1996. *See* "Entrepreneurs C Block Reauction Closes," *Public Notice*, DA 96-1153 (rel. July 17, 1996). CHPCS failed to remit the down payment for this license by July 24, 1996, as required by Section 24.704(a)(2) of the Commission's rules. *See* 47 C.F.R. § 24.704(a)(2). In an Order adopted on August 9, 1996, the Bureau denied a request for waiver filed by CHPCS seeking additional time to tender its down payment. *See* C.H. PCS, Inc. Request for Waiver of Section 24.704(a)(2) of the Commission's Rules, *Order*, DA 96-1273 (rel. August 9, 1996). In an Order adopted on November 4, 1996, the Bureau found CHPCS in default on the license and set forth its default payment obligations. *See* C.H. PCS, Inc., BTA No. B347, Frequency Block C, *Order*, DA 96-1825 (rel. November 4, 1996).

The Commission's rules provide that if a winning bidder fails to remit the required down payment following the auction for the license(s) which it wins, the license may be either reauctioned to existing or new applicants, or offered to the other highest bidders (in descending order). See 47 C.F.R. § 1.2109. Specific information regarding this auction will be announced in a future public notice.

Additionally, pursuant to its authority under 47 C.F.R. § 1.2109, the Bureau today dismisses CHPCS's FCC Form 600 application, application number 00559CWL96, which was filed on July 31, 1996. *Id*.

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- Action by the Chief, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau -